GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS
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JOINT VENTURE FERTILIZER PLANTS
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Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to establish joint venture fertilizer plants in the foreign countries;

(b) if so, the details thereof, plant-wise; and

(c) the details of benefits of such overseas fertilizer plants being operated at present?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILZERS(SHRI SATYA BRATA MOOKHERJEE)

(a) & (b): The details of joint venture fertilizer plants proposed to be set up in foreign countries with participation of the fertilizer companies and Government of India (GOI) are as under:-

Sl. No.	Name of the Project	Name of the country	Indian Partner / Sponsor	Capacity in lakh MT		Status
1.	Expansion of Industries Chimques du Senegal	Senegal	GOI /SPIC / IFFCO	3.30	Phos. Acid	Expected to be commissioned in March 2001.
2.	SPIC Fertilizer & Chemicals Ltd.	UAE	SPIC	4.0	Urea	The project is likely to be commissioned by the 1st quarter of 2002.
3.	Oman India Fertilizer Company SAOC	Oman	IFFCO, KIRBHCO	16.52 2.48	Urea Merchant ammonia	Revised project proposal was approved by GOI in June 2000.
4.	Indo-Iran Joint Venture Project	Iran	IFFCO, KRIBHCO	7.26	Urea	MoU has been signed. The Project is at a very preliminary stage of consideration.

(c): So far only phosphoric acid joint venture plants have been established in foreign countries . These joint ventures have enabled Indian Companies to source phosphoric acid on sustained basis for indigenous production of phosphatic fertilizers. These ventures have also provided valuable experience to Indian companies in setting up, managing and operating large fertilizer companies abroad.